- (1) lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, including a person who is:
  - (A) living in an emergency shelter;
  - (B) abandoned in a hospital; or
  - (C) awaiting foster care placement;
- (2) has a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for humans; or
- (3) is living in a car, park, other public space, abandoned building, substandard housing, bus or train station, or similar setting.

Sec. 2306.1102. STUDY ON HOMELESS YOUTH. (a) The department, in conjunction with other members of the Texas Interagency Council for the Homeless established under Subchapter KK, shall conduct a study on homeless youth.

- (b) In conducting the study, the department shall:
  - (1) collect data on the number of homeless youth in this state;
- (2) examine the needs of homeless youth and the degree to which current programs are meeting those needs;
- (3) identify any sources of funding that might be available to provide services to homeless youth; and
- (4) develop a strategic plan establishing steps to be taken and timelines for reducing youth homelessness in this state.
- (c) The department shall submit a report on the study to the legislature not later than December 1, 2016. The report must include a summary of the information resulting from the study and recommendations for changes in law necessary to provide services to or otherwise assist homeless youth.
  - (d) This section expires September 1, 2017.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

Passed by the House on April 16, 2015: Yeas 92, Nays 50, 3 present, not voting; the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 679 on May 27, 2015: Yeas 110, Nays 33, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 24, 2015: Yeas 20, Nays 10.

Approved June 17, 2015.

Effective September 1, 2015.

## PRODUCTION OF PUBLIC INFORMATION UNDER THE PUBLIC INFORMATION LAW

### **CHAPTER 692**

H.B. No. 685

### AN ACT

relating to the production of public information under the public information law.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 552.221, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsections (b-1) and (b-2) to read as follows:

(b-1) In addition to the methods of production described by Subsection (b), an officer

for public information for a political subdivision of this state complies with Subsection (a) by referring a requestor to an exact Internet location or uniform resource locator (URL) address on a website maintained by the political subdivision and accessible to the public if the requested information is identifiable and readily available on that website. If the person requesting the information prefers a manner other than access through the URL, the political subdivision must supply the information in the manner required by Subsection (b).

(b-2) If an officer for public information for a political subdivision provides by e-mail an Internet location or uniform resource locator (URL) address as permitted by Subsection (b-1), the e-mail must contain a statement in a conspicuous font clearly indicating that the requestor may nonetheless access the requested information by inspection or duplication or by receipt through United States mail, as provided by Subsection (b).

SECTION 2. Section 182.052, Utilities Code, is amended by adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

(e) A governmental body as defined by Section 552.003, Government Code, may withhold information prohibited from being disclosed under this section without the necessity of requesting a decision from the attorney general under Subchapter G, Chapter 552, Government Code.

SECTION 3. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to a request for information that is received by a governmental body or an officer for public information on or after the effective date of this Act. A request for information that was received before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the request was received, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

Passed by the House on April 9, 2015: Yeas 142, Nays 1, 2 present, not voting; the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 685 on May 26, 2015: Yeas 142, Nays 1, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 22, 2015: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved June 17, 2015.

Effective September 1, 2015.

# PROCEDURES FOR CERTAIN PERSONS CHARGED WITH A VIOLATION OF A CONDITION OF RELEASE FROM THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE ON PAROLE OR TO MANDATORY SUPERVISION

#### **CHAPTER 693**

H.B. No. 710

### AN ACT

relating to procedures for certain persons charged with a violation of a condition of release from the Texas Department of Criminal Justice on parole or to mandatory supervision.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 508.251(c), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

- (c) Instead of the issuance of a warrant under this section, the division:
- (1) may issue to the person a summons requiring the person to appear for a hearing under Section 508.281 if the person:
  - (A) is not a releasee who is:
    - (i) [(A)] on intensive supervision or superintensive supervision;